

DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "Modified Forms of Hepatitis C NS3 Protease for Facilitating Inhibitor Screening and Structural Studies of Protease-Inhibitor Complexes", the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following line is checked:

☒ was filed on 1/6/00 as United States Application Number or PCT International Application Number 09/478,479 and was amended on _____ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(a)-(d) or § 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or § 365(a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United States, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the line, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or PCT International application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Application(s)

Priority Claimed

<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u> Yes <u> </u> No
(Number)	(Country)	(Day/Month/Year Filed)	
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(e) of any United States Provisional application(s) listed below.

<u>60/115,271</u>	<u>January 8, 1999</u>
(Application Number)	(Filing Date)
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(Application Number)	(Filing Date)

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s), or § 365(c) of any PCT International application designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT International filing date of this application.

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